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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re A	Application of:) `	•			
Masanori NAKAHARA et al.)	Confirmation No.: 4644			
Application No.: 10/762,313)	Group Art Unit: 2627			
For:	Filed: January 23, 2004 For: INFORMATION RECORDING APPARATUS AND INFORMATION RECORDING METHOD Commissioner for Patents					
Custo	atent and Trademark Office mer Window, Mail Stop Amendment ndria, VA 22314					
Sir:						
	AMENDMENT TR	Aľ	NSMITTAL FORM			
1.	Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in response to the Office Action dated May 22, 2006.					
2.	Additional papers enclosed:					
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3. Extension of Time

The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) apply.

Applicants believe that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that Applicants have inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

Applicants petition for an extension of time, the fees for which are set out in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a), for the total number of months checked below:

Total Months Requested	Fee for Extension	[Fee for Small Entity]		
one month two months three months four months	\$ 120.00 \$ 450.00 \$ 1,020.00 \$ 1,590.00	\$ 60.00 \$ 225.00 \$ 510.00 \$ 795.00		

Extension of time fee due with this request: \$450.00

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a Petition therefor.

4. Constructive Petition

EXCEPT for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0573. This paragraph is intended to be a CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3).

5. Fee Calculation (37 C.F.R. §1.16)

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment	1	Highest No. Previously Paid	Present Extra	at Rate of	Total Fees
Total Claims (37 C.F.R. §1.16(c))	34	minus	34	0	x \$50 each =	+ \$0.00
Independent Claims (37 C.F.R.§1.16(b))	4	minus	4	0	x \$200 each =	+ \$0.00
[] First presentation of Multiple dependent claim(s) \$360.00						+ \$0.00
SUB-TOTAL =						
Reduction by ½ for filing by a small entity						
TOTAL FEE =						

6. Fee Payment

	No fee is to be paid at this time.				
\boxtimes	Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$580.00, representing \$130.00 for the terminal disclaimer fee and \$450.00 for the two month extension of time fee.				
	The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 50-0573 for the fee.				
\boxtimes	The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0573.				

Respectfully submitted,

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